

The GIGA German Institute of Global and Area Studies / Leibniz-Institut für Globale und Regionale Studien is an independent social science research institute based in Hamburg. It analyses political, social, and economic developments in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East, and links this knowledge to questions of global significance. It combines region-specific analysis with innovative comparative research on accountability and participation, growth and development, peace and security, and power and ideas. The GIGA seeks to appoint a

Research Fellow

Applications are invited for a part-time (75 %) position, with a contract of 30 months, starting preferably 1 March 2019. The position is designed for further professional qualification as defined in § 2 WissZeitVG (Academic Fixed-Term Contract Act). The salary is commensurate with TV-AVH / TVöD EG 13.

The successful candidate will work as part of the project “Large-Scale Land Acquisitions, Rural Change and Social Conflict (LARCC)”, funded by the German Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and implemented in cooperation with the University of Osnabrück (Prof. Alexander De Juan). The project investigates the socio-economic effects of large-scale land acquisitions with a focus on social conflict. While it takes into account the immediate effects of land deals on repression and resistance, it also considers the medium- to long-term implications of land deals, emphasizing the intervening role of inequality and institutions. The project relies on a nested mixed-methods research design that combines quantitative and qualitative approaches and focuses on developing world regions with a high incidence of large-scale land acquisitions: West Africa and South East Asia.

The candidate should be willing and able to undertake substantial field research (potential cases: Liberia, Sierra Leone, Indonesia) and will

- contribute to case studies;
- contribute to the collection, processing, and analysis of quantitative household/village survey data;
- based on these data, conduct original research pertaining to the effects of large-scale land acquisitions, rural change, and social conflict;
- be an active member of the GIGA, affiliated to one of its Regional Institutes and to the relevant Research Programmes.

Your qualifications:

- a very good university degree (Master or equivalent) in Economics, Political Science, or Peace and Conflict Studies
- sound quantitative methodological skills,
- very strong teamwork skills
- English-language proficiency; knowledge of German is not a prerequisite

You are highly motivated, flexible, and able to work independently.

Additional desired qualifications:

- experience with handling household surveys
- regional expertise and additional language skills relevant to research region(s)
- previous field research experience

The GIGA strongly encourages concurrent work on a doctoral degree. The Research Fellow would become a member of the GIGA Doctoral Programme.

Other part-time options will be considered, if so desired by the successful candidate. Diversity and the reconciliation of work and family life are of great importance to the institute. The GIGA promotes gender equality and actively encourages applications from women. Among equally qualified applicants, women will receive preferential consideration in those areas in which they are underrepresented.

Please fill out the GIGA application form (found at www.giga-hamburg.de/en/vacancies) and send it with your full application (**Ref.-No. GIGA-19-03**), including relevant supporting documentation (cover letter, CV, references, credentials/diplomas/certificates, and a maximum of two work samples), to:

**Gabriele Tetzlaff, GIGA German Institute of Global and Area Studies,
Neuer Jungfernstieg 21, 20354 Hamburg, Germany
Email: jobs-iaa@giga-hamburg.de** (email applications are particularly welcome. Please send all documents combined in one PDF file.)

Screening of applications will begin on 4 February 2019.

For further information, please visit the GIGA homepage (www.giga-hamburg.de) or contact Apl. Prof. Dr. Jann Lay (e-mail: jann.lay@giga-hamburg.de, phone: +49 (0)40 - 428 25-763). Please note that University of Osnabrück will soon invite applications for a similar research fellow position to work as part of the project team at the university.

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